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HIGHLIGHTS

North Carolina's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in August 1991 was 5.9 percent, down from the July 1991 rate of 6.2. In August 1990 the state's unemployment rate was 3.8. For the nation, the adjusted unemployment rate was 6.8 in August 1991. The national rate was 5.6 in August 1990.

The civilian labor force for North Carolina in August was estimated at 3,476,000, a monthly increase of 50,000 from the July estimate of 3,426,000. From August 1990, the civilian labor force increased by 96,000.

Seasonally adjusted employment for August was 3,272,000. This was an increase of 58,000 from the July level of 3,214,000. The number employed in August 1991 was 22,000 more than in August 1990. The number of persons unemployed declined by 8,000 in August (204,000) from July (212,000). From a year ago (130,000), the unemployed estimate was up by 74,000.

In August, North Carolina's seasonally adjusted industry employment increased to 3,106,400, or 2,400 more than the prior month's estimate of 3,104,000. An over-the-month gain of 8,300 in the goods producing sector accounted for this increase. The manufacturing sector gained 10,000 workers as all major industries contributed to this gain. Furniture was the big gainer (+4,600). The service producing sector lost 5,900 workers with government the big loser (-5,600)

From August 1990-August 1991, industry employment declined by 27,600. Employment in the goods producing sector was down by 37,900 to 994,700 as employment was up by 10,300. The goods producing sector losses were most significant in furniture; textiles; electrical equipment; transportation equipment; stone, clay and glass; and apparel. In service producing the big gainers were in government (+11,800) and service and miscellaneous (+11,800).

Production workers in North Carolina's manufacturing industries earned $9.23 an hour in August. The average hours worked were 40.5, and average weekly earnings amounted to $373.82. There was an increase of 42 cents an hour in average hourly earnings from August 1990 . Workers in cigarette manufacturing were the highest hourly wage earners at $21.04. In service producing, the average hourly earnings were highest among workers in transportation, communication and public utilities at $13.90.

The number of production workers in North Carolina's manufacturing industries increased by 12,300, from 628,800 in July to 641,100 in August. This increase was spread across the entire sector with furniture increasing by 5,100 and textiles by 2,900. From August of last year, manufacturing lost 28,600 production workers. This loss occurred throughout the manufacturing sector with the most significant losses in the textiles (-7,200); furniture (-6,000); electronic equipment (-2,400); and apparel (-3,600) industries.

There were 14,927 persons placed in jobs through the Employment Security Commission in August 1991. Of those 5,309 were placed in manufacturing industries; 3,028 persons found jobs in the service industry; while 2,325 were placed in the trade industry. By occupational category, 2464 individuals were employed in packaging and materials handling; 1,223 in clerical; 1,231 in structural and 1,283 in machine trades.

Table 1

Employment Status of the North Carolina Civilian Population

August 1991

(Numbers in Thousands)

Seasonally Adjusted

	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: March 1991 through August 1991					
	Aug. 1990	Mar. 1991	Apr. 1991	May 1991	June 1991	July 1991	Aug. 1991
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	5,006	5,043	5,048	5,053	5,058	5,064	5,069
Civilian Labor Force	3,380	3,402	3,417	3,412	3,443	3,426	3,476
Participation Rate[1]	67.5	67.5	67.7	67.5	68.1	67.7	68.6
Employed	3,250	3,210	3,221	3,183	3,230	3,214	3,272
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	64.9	63.7	63.8	63.0	63.9	63.5	64.5
Unemployed	130	192	196	229	213	212	204
Unemployment Rate	3.8	5.6	5.7	6.7	6.2	6.2	5.9
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	--	---	---	---	---	---	---

Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: June 1991 through August 1991		
	Aug. 1990	June 1991	July 1991	Aug. 1991
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	5,006	5,058	5,064	5,069
Civilian Labor Force	3,418	3,482	3,510	3,514
Participation Rate[1]	68.3	67.8	69.3	69.3
Employed	3,300	3,266	3,214	3,322
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	65.9	63.2	63.5	65.5
Unemployed	118	216	212	192
Unemployment Rate	3.5	6.2	6.2	5.5
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	1.5	2.4	2.3	INA

[1]The participation rate represents the percentage of individuals in the civilian population that are in the labor force.
[2]The employment-population ratio represents the percentage of individuals in the civilian population who are employed.
[3]The insured unemployment rate represents a weekly average of weeks claimed for unemployment insurance benefits in a given month as a percentage of employment covered under the Employment Security Law for the most recent 12-month period for which data are available.

Table 2

Employment Status of the United States Civilian Population

August 1991

(Numbers in Thousands)

Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: March 1991 through August 1991					
	Aug. 1990	Mar. 1991	Apr. 1991	May 1991	June 1991	July 1991	Aug. 1991
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	188,261	189,243	189,380	189,522	189,668	189,839	189,973
Civilian Labor Force	124,705	125,326	125,672	125,232	125,629	125,214	124,904
Participation Rate[1]	66.2	66.2	66.4	66.1	66.2	66.0	65.7
Employed	117,690	116,754	117,398	116,591	116,884	116,712	116,416
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	62.5	61.7	62.0	61.5	61.6	61.5	61.3
Unemployed	7,015	8,572	8,274	8,640	8,745	8,501	8,488
Unemployment Rate	5.6	6.8	6.6	6.9	7.0	6.8	6.8
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	2.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.1	INA

Not Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: June 1991 through August 1991		
	Aug. 1990	June 1991	July 1991	Aug. 1991
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	188,261	189,688	189,839	189,973
Civilian Labor Force	126,012	127,054	127,327	127,097
Participation Rate[1]	66.9	67.0	67.0	66.4
Employed	119,174	118,280	118,751	117,859
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	63.3	62.4	62.6	62.0
Unemployed	6,837	8,774	8,576	8,237
Unemployment Rate	5.4	6.9	6.7	6.5
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	2.2	2.8	3.0	INA

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Figure 1

A Comparison of Unemployment Rates in North Carolina and the United States (Seasonally Adjusted)

August 1990-August 1991

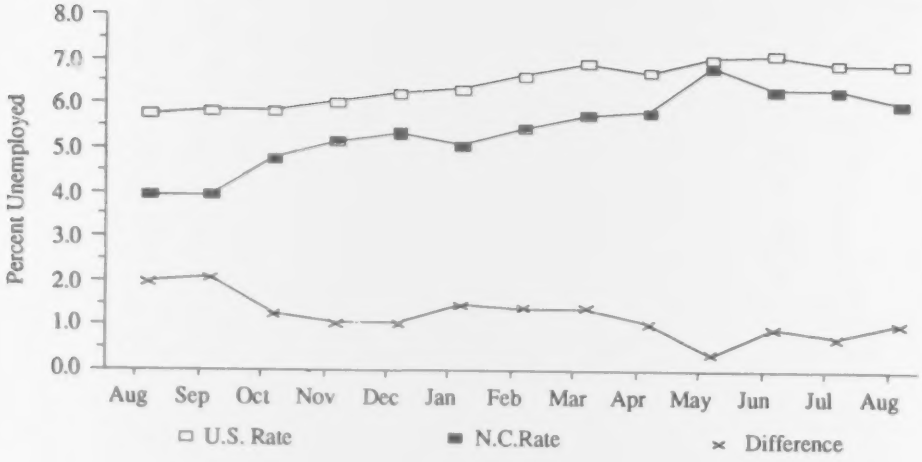

Figure 2

North Carolina Unemployment Rates (Adjusted and Unadjusted)

August 1990-August 1991

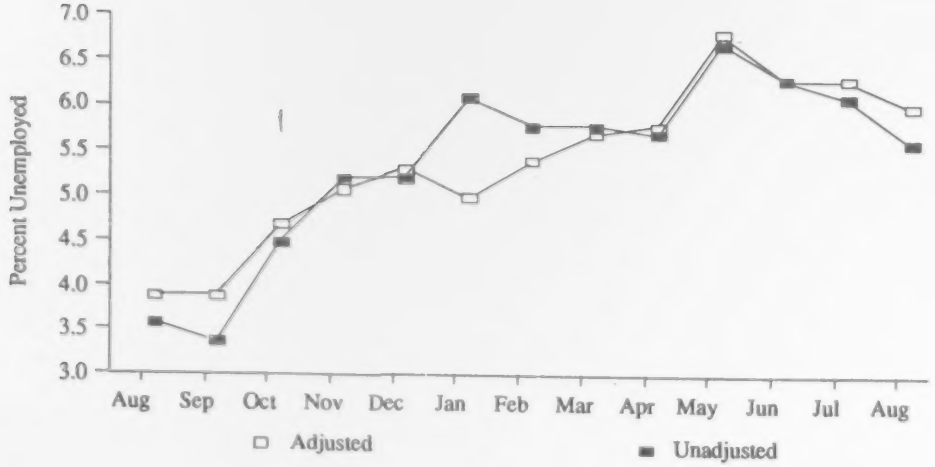

Table 3

Industry Employment in North Carolina

August 1991[1]

(Seasonally Adjusted)
(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment Aug. 1991	July[2] 1991	June 1990	Change From: July 1991 Net	July 1991 Percent	Aug. 1990 Net	Aug. 1990 Percent
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force[3]	3,514.4	3,509.9	3,418.2	+ 4.5	+ 0.1	+ 96.2	+ 2.8
Employment, Total	3,322.0	3,298.1	3,299.9	+ 23.9	+ 0.7	+ 22.1	+ 0.7
Unemployment, Total	192.4	211.8	118.3	- 19.4	- 9.2	+ 74.1	+ 62.6
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	5.5	6.0	3.5	- 0.5	xxx	+ 2.0	xxx
(Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force[3]	3,476.0	3,426.0	3,380.0	+ 50.0	+ 1.5	+ 96.0	+ 2.8
Employment, Total	3,272.0	3,214.0	3,250.0	+ 58.0	+ 1.8	+ 22.0	+ 0.7
Unemployment, Total	204.0	212.0	130.0	- 8.0	- 3.8	+ 74.0	+ 56.9
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	5.9	6.2	3.8	- 0.3	xxx	- 2.1	xxx
Total Nonagricultural Employment	3,106.4	3,104.0	3,134.0	+ 2.4	+ 0.1	- 27.6	- 0.9
Goods Producing	994.7	986.4	1,032.6	+ 8.3	+ 0.8	- 37.9	- 3.7
Mining	5.1	5.1	5.3	0.0	0.0	- 0.2	- 3.8
Construction	153.8	155.5	164.3	- 1.7	- 1.1	- 10.5	- 6.4
Manufacturing	835.8	825.8	863.0	+ 10.0	+ 1.2	- 27.2	- 3.2
Durable Goods	340.5	333.3	355.2	+ 7.2	+ 2.2	- 14.7	- 4.1
Lumber & Wood Products	35.7	35.5	36.6	+ 0.2	+ 0.6	- 0.9	- 2.5
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.3	12.1	12.8	+ 0.2	+ 1.7	- 0.5	- 3.9
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	9.5	9.3	9.7	+ 0.2	+ 2.2	- 0.2	- 2.1
Furniture & Fixtures	79.5	74.9	85.2	+ 4.6	+ 6.1	- 5.7	- 6.7
Household Furniture	71.2	66.2	75.4	+ 5.0	+ 7.6	- 4.2	- 5.6
Wood Household Furniture	35.0	31.4	37.1	+ 3.6	+ 11.5	- 2.1	- 5.7
Upholstered Household Furniture	29.2	28.0	31.1	+ 1.2	+ 4.3	- 1.9	- 6.1

[1]Data for the current month are preliminary.
[2]Revised.
[3]Data are compiled on the basis of Place of Residence.
[4]This category includes Instruments & Related Products and Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.
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[6]This category includes Services, except Domestic, Agricultural Services, Forestry and Fisheries.
[7]This category includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers and domestic workers in private households.
*Less than .05 percent.
All data are based upon 1987 Standard Industrial Classification Codes.
Industry employment compiled by the LMI Division in cooperation with USDOL, BLS.

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Industry Employment in North Carolina

August 1991[1]

(Seasonally Adjusted)
(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment			Change From:			
				July 1991		Aug. 1990	
	Aug. 1991	July[2] 1991	Aug. 1990	Net	Percent	Net	Percent
Stone, Clay & Glass	21.5	21.3	23.0	+ 0.2	- 0.9	- 1.5	- 6.5
Structural Clay Products	2.3	2.3	2.6	0.0	0.0	- 0.3	- 11.5
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prods.	6.1	6.0	6.4	+ 0.1	+ 1.7	- 0.3	- 4.7
Primary Metal Products	11.9	11.8	12.5	+ 0.1	+ 0.8	- 0.6	- 4.8
Fabricated Metal Products	30.0	30.0	30.7	0.0	0.0	- 0.7	- 2.3
Fab. Struct. Metal Products	9.4	9.5	9.4	- 0.1	- 1.1	0.0	0.0
Industrial Machinery	64.8	64.2	65.7	+ 0.6	+ 0.9	- 0.9	- 1.4
Special Industry Machinery	7.8	7.8	8.2	0.0	0.0	- 0.4	- 4.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	53.0	51.9	54.7	+ 1.1	+ 2.1	- 1.7	- 3.1
Household Appliances	4.2	4.0	4.6	+ 0.2	+ 5.0	- 0.4	- 8.7
Transportation Equipment	23.2	22.9	25.2	+ 0.3	+ 1.3	- 2.0	- 7.9
Other Durable Goods[4]	20.9	20.8	21.6	+ 0.1	+ 0.5	- 0.7	- 3.2
Nondurable Goods	495.3	492.5	507.8	+ 2.8	+ 0.6	- 12.5	- 2.5
Food & Kindred Products	49.9	49.6	50.5	+ 0.3	+ 0.6	- 0.6	- 1.2
Meat Products	24.8	24.5	25.1	+ 0.3	+ 1.2	- 0.3	- 1.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.9	3.0	2.9	- 0.1	- 3.3	0.0	0.0
Dairy Products	2.3	2.2	2.4	+ 0.1	+ 4.5	- 0.1	- 4.2
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Bakery Products	8.4	8.3	8.2	+ 0.1	+ 1.2	+ 0.2	+ 2.4
Beverages	4.6	4.6	4.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	20.3	20.0	20.7	+ 0.3	+ 1.5	- 0.4	- 1.9
Cigarettes	15.4	15.6	15.6	- 0.2	- 1.3	- 0.2	- 1.3
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.4	4.0	4.5	+ 0.4	+ 10.0	- 0.1	- 2.2
Textile Mill Products	209.5	208.1	216.6	+ 1.4	+ 0.7	- 7.1	- 3.3
Broadwoven Fabrics: Cotton, Manmade & Wool	51.0	50.7	52.6	+ 0.3	+ 0.6	+ 1.6	+ 3.0
Broadwoven Fabrics: Cotton	23.1	23.0	24.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.4	- 1.0	- 4.1
Broadwoven Fabrics, Manmade	25.2	25.1	25.5	+ 0.1	+ 0.4	- 0.3	- 1.2

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(Seasonally Adjusted)
(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment Aug. 1991	July[2] 1991	Aug. 1990	Change From: July 1991 Net	July 1991 Percent	Aug. 1990 Net	Aug. 1990 Percent
Knitting Mills	83.1	83.2	84.0	- 0.1	- 0.1	- 0.9	- 1.1
Women's Hosiery, exc. Socks	22.0	22.1	22.7	- 0.1	- 0.5	- 0.7	- 3.1
Hosiery, NEC	22.7	22.6	22.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.4	- 0.2	- 0.9
Weft Knit Fabric Mills	16.5	16.5	16.8	0.0	0.0	- 0.3	- 1.8
Lace & Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.6	7.6	7.3	0.0	0.0	+ 0.3	+ 4.1
Textile Finishing, exc. Wool	15.3	15.7	15.8	- 0.4	- 2.5	- 0.5	- 3.2
Yarn & Thread Mills	46.1	46.1	50.2	0.0	0.0	- 4.1	- 8.2
Apparel & Other Textile Products	78.4	78.4	81.3	0.0	0.0	- 2.9	- 3.6
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats & Furnishings	28.2	28.4	28.9	- 0.2	- 0.7	- 0.7	- 2.4
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	29.7	29.7	30.8	0.0	0.0	- 1.1	- 3.6
Paper & Allied Products	23.5	23.1	23.4	+ 0.4	+ 1.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	10.0	9.8	10.0	+ 0.2	+ 2.0	0.0	0.0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	9.1	9.0	9.2	+ 0.1	+ 1.1	- 0.1	- 1.1
Printing & Publishing	30.6	30.7	31.2	- 0.1	- 0.3	- 0.6	- 1.9
Newspapers	10.4	10.4	11.0	0.0	0.0	- 0.6	- 5.5
Chemicals & Allied Products	45.8	45.3	45.2	+ 0.5	+ 1.1	+ 0.6	+ 1.3
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	14.2	14.2	14.1	0.0	0.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.7
Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastic Products	33.7	33.6	34.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.3	- 1.2	- 3.4
Other Nondurable Goods[5]	3.6	3.7	4.0	- 0.1	- 2.7	- 0.4	- 10.0
Service Producing	2,111.7	2,117.6	2,101.4	- 5.9	- 0.3	+ 10.3	+ 0.5
Transportation	152.7	153.0	152.2	- 0.3	- 0.2	+ 0.5	+ 0.3
Comm. & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	57.1	57.1	57.7	0.0	0.0	- 0.6	- 1.0

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(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment Aug. 1991	July[2] 1991	Aug. 1990	Change From: July 1991 Net	July 1991 Percent	Aug. 1990 Net	Aug. 1990 Percent
Wholesale and Retail Trade	707.2	708.2	720.4	- 1.0	- 0.1	- 13.2	- 1.8
Wholesale Trade	162.2	163.5	166.9	- 1.3	- 0.8	- 4.7	- 2.8
Wholesale Trade - Durable Goods	93.3	93.5	96.5	- 0.2	- 0.2	- 3.2	- 3.3
Wholesale Trade - Nondurable Goods	68.9	70.0	70.4	- 1.1	- 1.6	- 1.5	- 2.1
Retail Trade	545.0	544.7	553.5	+ 0.3	+ 0.1	- 8.5	- 1.5
General Merchandise Stores	74.9	74.9	80.4	0.0	0.0	- 5.5	- 6.8
Food Stores	90.6	90.4	90.6	+ 0.2	+ 0.2	0.0	0.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	134.2	134.2	134.8	0.0	0.0	- 0.6	- 0.4
Service & Miscellaneous[6]	610.6	609.6	598.8	+ 1.0	+ 0.2	+ 11.8	+ 2.0
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	31.5	31.5	30.9	0.0	0.0	+ 0.6	+ 1.9
Personal Services	29.6	29.6	29.0	0.0	0.0	+ 0.6	+ 2.1
Laundries, Cleaning & Garment Service	13.6	13.7	14.0	- 0.1	- 0.7	- 0.4	- 2.9
Total Government	507.0	512.6	495.2	- 5.6	- 1.1	+ 11.8	+ 2.4
Federal	59.0	58.8	60.7	+ 0.2	+ 0.3	- 1.7	- 2.8
State	142.4	142.3	137.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 5.3	+ 3.9
Education	74.9	75.1	70.2	- 0.2	- 0.3	+ 4.7	+ 6.7
Other	67.5	67.2	66.9	+ 0.3	+ 0.4	+ 0.6	+ 0.9
Local	305.6	311.5	297.4	- 5.9	- 1.9	+ 8.2	+ 2.8
Education	161.0	167.1	157.5	- 6.1	- 3.7	+ 3.5	+ 2.2
Other	144.6	144.4	139.9	+ 0.2	+ 0.1	+ 4.7	+ 3.4
All Other Nonag. Employment[7]	270.5	271.8	268.3	- 1.3	- 0.5	+ 2.2	+ 0.8
Agriculture	57.1	60.1	43.1	- 3.0	- 5.0	+ 14.0	+ 32.5

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Figure 3

Composition of Nonagricultural Employment in North Carolina (Seasonally Adjusted)

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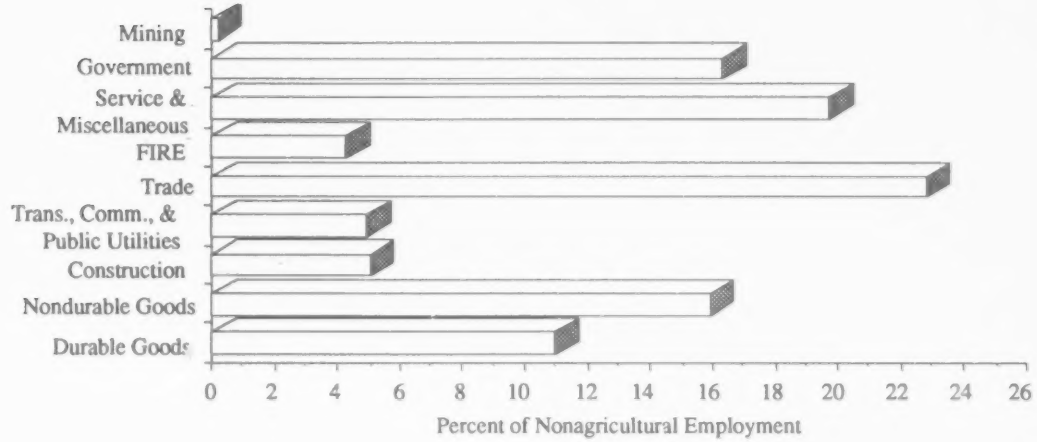

Figure 4

Employment Levels in Major Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina (Seasonally Adjusted)

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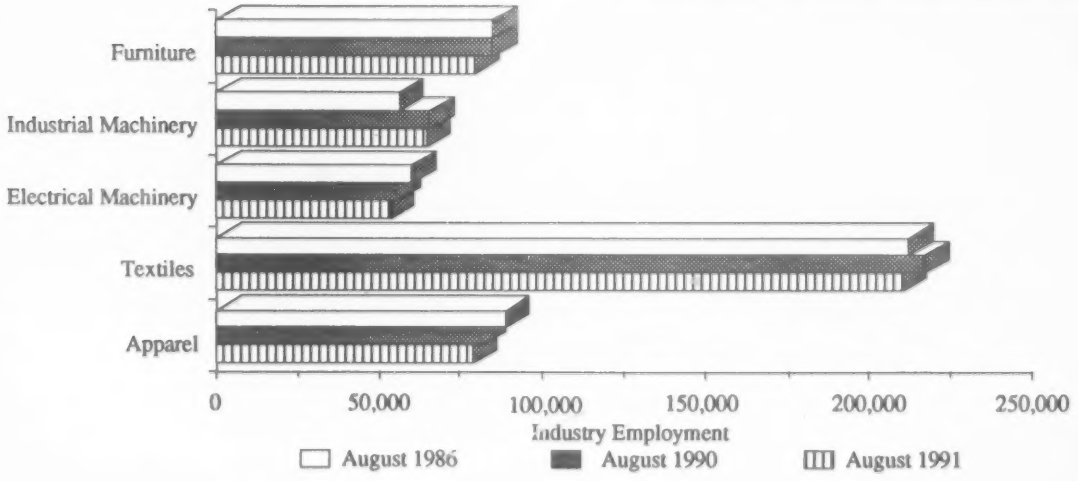

Table 4

Individuals Placed in Jobs by the Employment Security Commission by Occupational Categories and Industrial Divisions August 1991[1]

Occupational Categories and Divisions	Total Individuals Placed[2]	Total Individuals Placed In Regular Jobs[2, 3]	Agriculture, Forestry & Fishery	Mining	Construction
Total	14,927	13,040	773	12	909
Professional, Technical & Managerial Occupations	484	474	1	0	0
Clerical Occupations	1,223	1,212	5	0	12
Sales Occupations	632	617	1	1	2
Domestic Service Occupations	102	75	2	0	1
Other Service Occupations	2,056	1,998	4	0	20
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishery & Related Occupations	2,407	826	736	0	11
Processing Occupations	1,393	1,386	22	4	2
Machine Trade Occupations	1,283	1,281	0	0	34
Benchwork Occupations	1,869	1,863	5	0	2
Structural Work Occupations	1,231	1,181	2	2	759
Motor Freight & Transportation Occupations	300	281	6	0	34
Packaging & Materials Handling Occupations	2,464	2,223	9	1	40
Miscellaneous Occupations	53	50	0	4	0

[1]The program year for the Employment Service Division runs from July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992.
[2]The Total Individuals Placed and Total Individuals Placed in Regular Jobs do not include individuals who were placed in more than one job during the program year. However, the figures listed for industrial divisions do count each placement of an individual.
[3]A regular job is defined as a job which has a duration of three or more days.

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Individuals Placed in Jobs by the Employment Security Commission by Occupational Categories and Industrial Divisions August 1991[1]

Manufacturing	Transportation & Utilities	Wholesale & Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	Services	Public Administration	Government
5,309	595	2,325	140	3,028	321	684
33	3	142	3	215	77	165
162	139	369	75	376	83	185
11	10	540	13	50	0	3
0	0	1	0	70	1	2
112	4	847	23	925	82	212
12	1	2	8	50	11	17
1,075	67	68	0	153	0	0
1,132	7	42	0	66	4	6
1,650	0	18	0	196	0	2
154	12	41	10	122	31	36
37	104	53	0	39	16	23
966	247	216	7	750	12	27
27	2	2	1	7	7	9

[1]The program year for the Employment Service Division runs from July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992.
[2]The Total Individuals Placed and Total Individuals Placed in Regular Jobs do not include individuals who were placed in more than one job during the program year. However, the figures listed for industrial divisions do count each placement of an individual.
[3]A regular job is defined as a job which has a duration of three or more days.

Figure 5

A Comparison of Insured Unemployment Rates in North Carolina and the United States (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

August 1990-August 1991

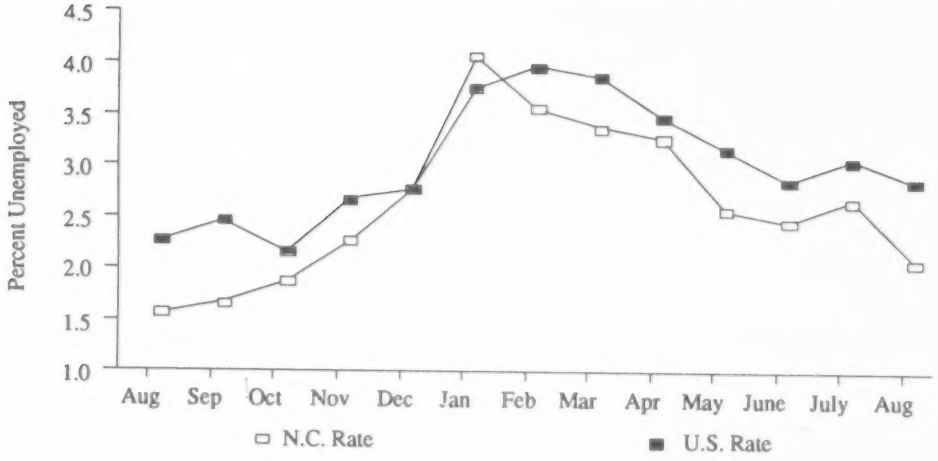

Figure 6

Individuals Placed in Jobs through the Employment Security Commission by Major Industrial Category

August 1991

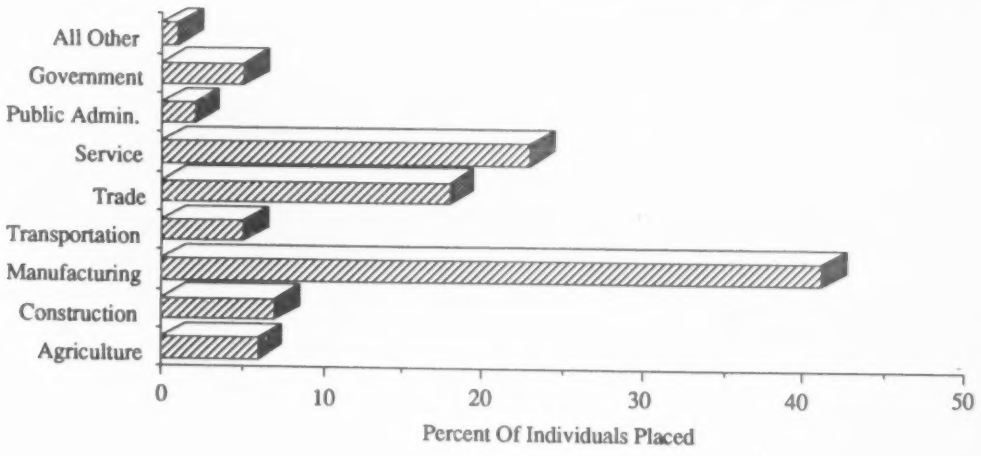

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Table I

Detailed Industry Employment in North Carolina (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

August 1991[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment			Percent Change From:	
	Aug. 1991	July[2] 1991	Aug. 1990	July 1991	Aug. 1990
Total Nonagricultural Employment	3,085.3	3,067.0	3,114.8	+ 0.6	- 0.9
Goods Producing	1001.1	988.5	1,039.6	+ 1.3	- 3.7
Mining	5.2	5.2	5.4	0.0	- 3.7
Construction	158.6	160.3	169.4	- 1.1	- 6.4
Manufacturing	837.3	823.0	864.8	+ 1.7	- 3.2
Durable Goods	340.3	332.0	355.2	+ 2.5	- 4.2
Lumber & Wood Products	35.8	35.6	36.8	+ 0.6	- 2.7
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.3	12.2	12.8	+ 0.8	- 3.9
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	9.6	9.4	9.8	+ 2.1	- 2.0
Furniture & Fixtures	78.9	73.3	84.6	+ 7.6	- 6.7
Household Furniture	70.6	64.6	74.8	+ 9.3	- 5.6
Wood Household Furniture	34.9	30.6	37.0	+14.1	- 5.7
Upholstered Household Furniture	29.1	27.7	31.0	+ 5.1	- 6.1
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	21.6	21.4	23.1	+ 0.9	- 6.5
Structural Clay Products	2.4	2.4	2.7	0.0	- 11.1
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Products	6.1	6.1	6.5	0.0	- 6.2
Primary Metal Industries	11.9	11.8	12.5	+ 0.8	- 4.8
Fabricated Metal Industries	30.1	30.0	30.8	+ 0.3	- 2.3
Fabricated Structural Metal Products	9.5	9.5	9.5	0.0	0.0
Machinery, except Electrical	64.7	64.1	65.7	+ 0.9	- 1.5
Special Industry Machinery	7.8	7.7	8.2	+ 1.3	- 4.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	53.1	51.9	54.8	+ 2.3	- 3.1
Household Appliances	4.3	4.0	4.7	+ 7.5	- 8.5
Transportation Equipment	23.0	23.0	25.0	0.0	- 8.0
Other Durable Goods[3]	221.2	20.9	21.9	+ 1.4	- 3.2
Nondurable Goods	497.0	491.0	509.6	+ 1.2	- 2.5
Food & Kindred Products	50.5	50.6	51.1	- 0.2	- 1.2
Meat Products	24.8	24.6	25.2	+ 0.8	- 1.6
Meat Packing Plants	2.9	2.9	2.9	0.0	0.0
Dairy Products	2.3	2.3	2.4	0.0	- 4.2
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	0.0
Bakery Products	8.4	8.3	8.2	+ 1.2	+ 2.4
Beverages	4.7	4.7	4.7	0.0	0.0

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[2]Revised.
[3]This category includes Instruments & Related Products and Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.
[4]This category includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
[5]This category includes Services, except Domestic, Agricultural Services; Forestry and Fisheries.
[6]Less than .05 percent.
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Table I
(Continued)

Detailed Industry Employment in North Carolina (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

August 1991[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment Aug. 1991	July[2] 1991	Aug. 1990	Percent Change From: July 1991	Aug. 1990
Tobacco Manufacturers	20.5	18.1	20.9	+13.3	- 1.9
Cigarettes	15.3	15.7	15.5	- 2.5	- 1.3
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.8	2.0	4.9	+140.0	- 2.0
Textile Mill Products	210.5	207.3	217.7	+ 1.5	- 3.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Manmade & Wool	51.1	50.4	52.6	+ 1.4	- 2.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton	23.3	22.9	24.3	+ 1.7	- 4.1
Weaving Mills, Manmade	25.0	24.8	25.3	+ 0.8	- 1.2
Knitting Mills	84.0	83.4	84.9	+ 0.7	- 1.1
Women's Hosiery, except Socks	22.2	22.1	22.9	+ 0.5	- 3.1
Hosiery, NEC	22.9	22.7	23.1	+ 0.9	- 0.9
Weft Knit Fabric Mills	16.7	16.6	17.0	+ 0.6	- 1.8
Lace & Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.6	7.5	7.3	+ 1.3	+ 4.1
Textile Finishing, except Wool	15.4	15.2	15.9	+ 1.3	- 3.1
Yarn & Thread Mills	46.2	45.5	50.4	+ 1.5	- 8.3
Apparel & Other Textile Products	78.3	77.7	81.2	+ 0.8	- 3.6
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats & Furnishings	28.1	28.1	28.8	0.0	- 2.4
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	29.4	29.3	30.5	+ 0.3	- 3.6
Paper & Allied Products	23.5	23.3	23.4	+ 0.9	+ 0.4
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	10.0	9.9	10.0	+ 1.0	0.0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	9.0	9.0	9.1	0.0	- 1.1
Printing & Publishing	30.4	30.6	31.0	- 0.7	- 1.9
Newspapers	10.3	10.4	10.9	- 1.0	- 5.5
Chemicals & Allied Products	46.1	45.9	45.5	+ 0.4	+ 1.3
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	14.3	14.3	14.2	0.0	+ 0.7
Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics Products	33.6	33.8	34.8	- 0.6	- 3.4
Other Nondurable Goods[4]	3.6	3.7	4.0	- 2.7	- 10.0

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Table I
(Continued)

Detailed Industry Employment in North Carolina (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

August 1991[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment			Percent Change From:	
	Aug. 1991	July[2] 1991	Aug. 1990	July 1991	Aug. 1990
Service Producing	2,084.2	2,078.5	2,075.2	+ 0.3	+ 0.4
Transportation & Public Utilities	153.8	153.0	153.3	+ 0.5	+ 0.3
Communications & Utilities	57.4	57.4	58.0	0.0	- 1.0
Wholesale & Retail Trade	712.6	712.2	726.3	+ 0.1	- 1.9
Wholesale Trade	164.9	164.2	169.7	+ 0.4	- 2.8
Wholesale Trade - Durable Goods	94.0	94.1	97.2	- 0.1	- 3.3
Wholesale Trade - Nondurable Goods	70.9	70.1	72.5	+ 1.1	- 2.2
Retail Trade	547.7	548.0	556.6	- 0.1	- 1.6
General Merchandise Stores	73.3	73.0	78.7	+ 0.4	- 6.9
Food Stores	91.2	91.8	91.2	- 0.7	0.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	136.1	136.2	136.6	- 0.1	- 0.4
Service & Miscellaneous[3]	619.8	618.2	607.6	+ 0.3	+ 2.0
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	34.9	34.9	34.3	0.0	+ 1.7
Personal Services	28.9	28.9	28.3	0.0	+ 2.1
Laundries, Cleaning & Garment Service	13.6	13.7	14.0	- 0.7	- 2.9
Health Services	167.1	166.1	159.1	+ 0.6	+ 5.0
Hospitals	67.4	66.9	63.2	+ 0.7	+ 6.6
Legal Services	13.7	13.8	14.0	- 0.7	- 2.1
Education Services	28.0	28.1	28.6	- 0.4	- 2.1
Total Government	461.9	459.0	451.4	+ 0.6	+ 2.3
Federal	59.6	59.8	61.3	- 0.3	- 2.8
State	132.1	129.1	127.5	+ 2.3	+ 3.6
Education	63.4	60.5	59.4	+ 4.8	+ 6.7
Other	68.7	68.6	68.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.9
Local	270.2	270.1	262.6	0.0	+ 2.9
Education	123.0	122.5	120.1	+ 0.4	+ 2.4
Other	147.2	147.6	142.5	- 0.3	+ 3.3

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Table II

Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-supervisory Workers in North Carolina[1]

August 1991[2]

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Aug. 1991	July[3] 1991	Aug.[3] 1990	Aug. 1991	July[3] 1991	Aug.[3] 1990	Aug. 1991	July[3] 1991	Aug.[3] 1990
Mining	$453.49	$463.18	$473.54	44.2	45.1	46.7	$10.26	$10.27	$10.14
Construction	389.00	404.74	388.95	38.9	40.8	40.6	10.00	9.92	9.58
Manufacturing	373.82	365.36	353.28	40.5	39.8	40.1	9.23	9.18	8.81
Durable Goods	384.40	373.74	370.68	40.0	39.3	40.6	9.61	9.51	9.13
Lumber & Wood Products	327.58	328.86	322.75	39.9	40.4	40.7	8.21	8.14	7.93
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	333.73	331.29	313.99	40.6	40.5	39.2	8.22	8.18	8.01
Furniture & Fixtures	309.89	291.83	311.38	36.5	34.7	38.3	8.49	8.41	8.13
Household Furniture	310.25	286.94	309.42	36.5	34.2	38.2	8.50	8.39	8.10
Wood Household Furniture	321.98	289.96	308.25	39.8	36.2	40.4	8.09	8.01	7.63
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	420.21	417.99	408.62	41.4	41.1	41.4	10.15	10.17	9.87
Structural Clay Products	347.06	348.69	324.31	39.8	39.4	38.7	8.72	8.85	8.38
Primary Metal Industries	452.64	457.65	446.47	41.0	41.5	42.4	11.04	11.03	10.53
Fabricated Metal Industries	432.55	402.35	401.17	42.2	40.6	41.4	10.25	9.91	9.69
Industrial Machinery	458.96	430.50	418.32	42.3	41.0	41.8	10.85	10.50	10.01
Special Industry Machinery	413.06	392.44	397.72	41.1	39.6	41.3	10.05	9.91	9.63
Electrical Machinery	414.54	409.76	389.38	42.0	41.6	41.6	9.87	9.85	9.36
Household Appliances	326.92	319.74	299.98	44.6	43.8	43.1	7.33	7.30	6.96
Transportation Equipment	442.30	435.20	448.38	40.1	40.0	42.5	11.03	10.88	10.55
Nondurable Goods	366.30	360.10	341.42	40.7	40.1	39.7	9.00	8.98	8.60
Food & Kindred Products	328.82	328.40	321.98	40.1	40.0	40.5	8.20	8.21	7.95
Meat Products	266.81	270.05	270.12	38.5	38.8	39.9	6.93	6.96	6.77
Meat Packing Plants	360.72	364.02	369.36	43.2	43.7	43.2	8.35	8.33	8.55

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August 1991[2]

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Aug. 1991	July[3] 1991	Aug.[3] 1990	Aug. 1991	July[3] 1991	Aug.[3] 1990	Aug. 1991	July[3] 1991	Aug.[3] 1990
Dairy Products	350.27	367.14	335.92	42.1	43.5	43.4	8.32	8.44	7.74
Grain Mill Products	395.54	391.88	387.70	46.1	45.2	46.1	8.58	8.67	8.41
Bakery Products	364.37	368.94	364.04	41.5	41.5	41.7	8.78	8.89	8.73
Beverages	636.01	683.02	593.22	42.8	44.7	41.6	14.86	15.28	14.26
Tobacco Manufacturers	652.75	704.34	582.18	37.3	36.4	37.2	17.50	19.35	15.65
Cigarettes	786.90	761.94	717.06	37.4	36.3	37.0	21.04	20.99	19.38
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	260.94	270.05	229.77	36.7	36.2	37.3	7.11	7.46	6.16
Textile Mill Products	335.32	323.99	309.25	41.5	40.6	39.8	8.08	7.98	7.77
Broadwoven Mills, Cotton, Manmade & Wool	376.19	355.88	339.44	42.7	41.0	39.7	8.81	8.68	8.55
Broadwoven Mills, Cotton	372.34	360.45	321.18	42.7	41.1	38.1	8.72	8.77	8.43
Broadwoven Mills, Manmade	376.98	348.75	358.07	42.5	40.6	41.3	8.87	8.59	8.67
Knitting Mills	306.00	297.47	283.97	40.0	39.4	38.9	7.65	7.55	7.30
Women's Hosiery, exc. Socks	259.61	259.92	249.66	37.3	38.0	37.6	6.96	6.84	6.64
Hosiery, NEC	292.39	290.55	275.54	39.3	39.0	38.7	7.44	7.45	7.12
Weft Knit Fabric Mills	361.22	337.42	310.06	42.9	40.8	39.1	8.42	8.27	7.93
Lace & Warp Knit Fabric	401.17	378.35	349.40	45.9	44.2	42.3	8.74	8.56	8.26
Textile Finishing, exc. Wool	386.69	377.16	325.03	46.2	44.9	41.3	8.37	8.40	7.87
Yarn & Thread Mills	323.01	315.02	307.49	41.2	40.7	40.3	7.84	7.74	7.63
Apparel & Other Textile Products	251.68	241.80	230.86	38.9	37.9	37.6	6.47	6.38	6.14
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats & Furnishings	258.84	252.98	232.94	39.0	38.8	38.0	6.50	6.52	6.13
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	222.97	252.85	226.04	39.7	38.9	36.4	6.52	6.50	6.21

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August 1991[2]

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Aug. 1991	July[3] 1991	Aug.[3] 1990	Aug. 1991	July[3] 1991	Aug.[3] 1990	Aug. 1991	July[3] 1991	Aug.[3] 1990
Paper & Allied Products	553.52	566.27	531.14	44.0	44.8	43.5	12.58	12.64	12.21
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	730.43	749.13	702.41	45.2	46.1	44.4	16.16	16.25	15.82
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	443.39	467.86	430.09	43.9	45.6	43.4	10.10	10.26	9.91
Printing & Publishing	414.00	414.18	393.19	38.8	39.0	38.7	10.67	10.62	10.16
Newspapers	330.43	330.69	312.96	32.3	32.2	32.6	10.23	10.27	9.60
Chemicals & Allied Products	499.39	498.97	490.89	40.8	40.6	42.1	12.24	12.29	11.66
Plastics & Synthetics	542.52	536.64	505.51	41.7	41.6	41.3	13.01	12.90	12.24
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	475.82	470.79	438.04	41.7	41.7	40.9	11.41	11.29	10.71
Comm. & Elec., Gas & Sanitary Services	579.63	563.75	558.94	41.7	41.3	42.7	13.90	13.65	13.09
Wholesale & Retail Trade	233.10	232.79	227.91	31.5	31.5	32.1	7.40	7.39	7.10
Wholesale Trade	384.72	385.84	372.33	38.9	38.7	39.4	9.89	9.97	9.45
Retail Trade	191.16	189.98	187.20	29.5	29.5	30.0	6.48	6.44	6.24
General Merchandise Stores	194.85	193.16	182.18	29.3	29.4	28.6	6.65	6.57	6.37
Food Stores	200.17	202.83	199.07	30.1	30.5	31.3	6.65	6.65	6.36
Services, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	157.63	161.55	150.03	28.3	28.9	28.2	5.57	5.59	5.32
Laundries, Cleaning & Garment Service	241.85	231.87	227.91	35.0	34.3	35.5	6.91	6.76	6.42

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Figure I

Average Hourly Earnings by Major Industry Sectors in North Carolina

August 1991

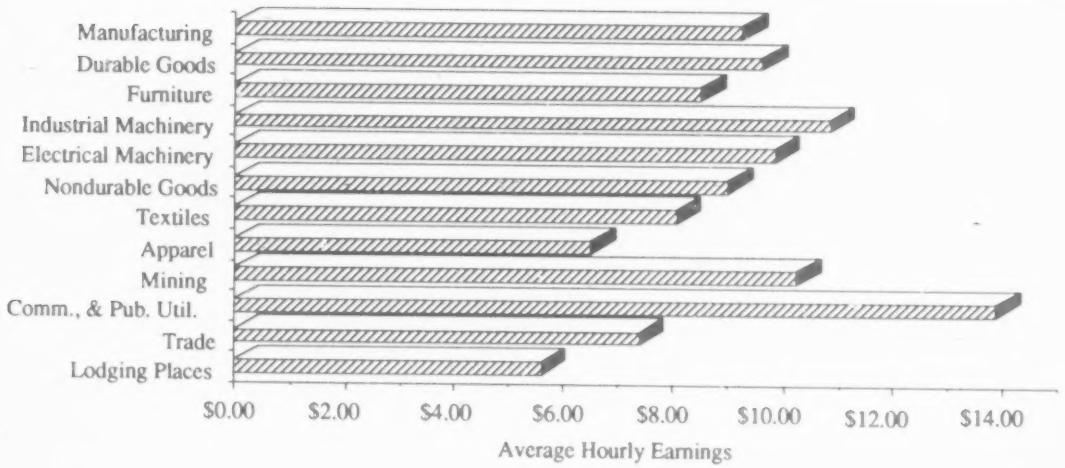

Figure II

Average Hourly Earnings in Durable Goods Industries Compared to the North Carolina Average

August 1991

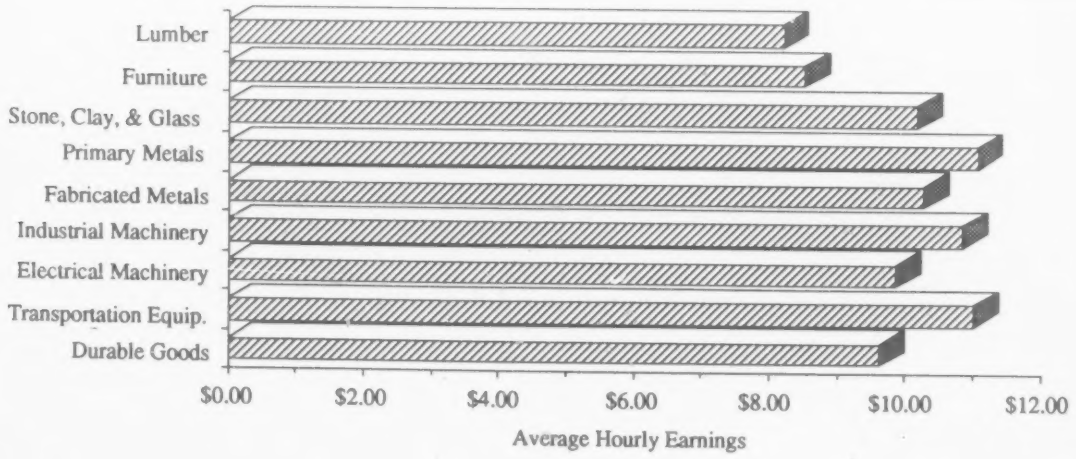

Table III

Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

August 1991[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Number of Production Workers			Percent Change From:	
	Aug. 1991	July[2] 1991	Aug. 1990	July 1991	Aug. 1990
Manufacturing	641.1	628.8	669.7	+ 2.0	- 4.3
Durable Goods	244.6	237.2	259.2	+ 3.1	- 5.6
Lumber & Wood Products	30.5	30.3	31.2	+ 0.7	- 2.2
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	8.0	7.8	8.1	+ 2.6	- 1.2
Furniture & Fixtures	67.1	62.0	73.1	+ 8.2	- 8.2
Household Furniture	60.6	55.1	65.2	+10.0	- 7.1
Wood Household Furniture	30.3	26.6	32.9	+13.9	- 7.9
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	16.8	16.6	18.3	+ 1.2	- 8.2
Structural Clay Products	1.8	1.8	2.1	0.0	- 14.3
Primary Metal Industries	8.7	8.6	9.3	+ 1.2	- 6.5
Fabricated Metal Industries	21.7	21.5	22.2	+ 0.9	- 2.3
Industrial Machinery	33.5	33.2	34.0	+ 0.9	- 1.5
Special Industry Machinery	5.3	5.2	5.4	+ 1.9	- 1.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	33.1	32.1	35.5	+ 3.1	- 6.8
Household Appliances	3.7	3.5	4.1	+ 5.7	- 9.8
Transportation Equipment	18.1	18.1	20.0	0.0	- 9.5
Instruments and Miscellaneous Manufacturing	15.1	14.8	15.6	+ 2.0	- 3.2
Nondurable Goods	396.5	391.6	410.5	+ 1.3	- 3.4
Food & Kindred Products	36.4	36.5	37.1	- 0.3	- 1.9
Meat Products	20.9	20.8	21.5	+ 0.5	- 2.8
Meat Packing Plants	2.1	2.1	2.1	0.0	0.0
Dairy Products	1.3	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.0
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0.0	0.0
Bakery Products	4.9	4.9	4.8	0.0	+ 2.1

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Table III

(Continued)

Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

August 1991[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Number of Production Workers			Percent Change From:	
	Aug. 1991	July[2] 1991	Aug. 1990	July 1991	Aug. 1990
Beverages	1.9	1.9	2.0	0.0	- 5.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	14.5	12.6	15.3	+15.1	- 5.2
Cigarettes	10.7	11.0	10.9	- 2.7	- 1.8
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.4	1.2	4.0	+183.3	- 15.0
Textile Mill Products	184.2	183.3	191.4	+ 1.6	- 3.8
Broadwoven Fabrics-Cotton, Synthetics & Wool	44.8	44.3	46.5	+ 1.1	- 3.7
Broadwoven Fabrics Mills-Cotton	20.4	20.1	21.6	+ 1.5	- 5.6
Broadwoven Fabrics Mills-Manmade	21.9	21.7	22.3	+ 0.9	- 1.8
Knitting Mills	74.0	73.4	74.8	+ 0.8	- 1.1
Women's Hosiery, except Socks	19.9	19.7	20.4	+ 1.0	- 2.5
Hosiery, NEC	20.6	20.4	20.7	+ 1.0	- 0.5
Weft Knit Fabric Mills	14.5	14.3	14.9	+ 1.4	- 2.7
Lace and Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.9	5.9	5.9	0.0	0.0
Textile Finishing, except Wool	12.9	12.6	13.2	+ 2.4	- 2.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	41.4	40.7	45.5	+ 1.7	- 9.0
Apparel & Other Textile Products	66.7	66.2	70.3	+ 0.8	- 5.1
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats & Furnishings	23.7	23.7	25.3	0.0	- 6.3
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	25.0	24.8	26.1	+ 0.8	- 4.2
Paper & Allied Products	18.2	18.1	18.2	+ 0.6	0.0
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	7.6	7.5	7.5	+ 1.3	+ 1.3
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.1	7.0	7.2	+ 1.4	+ 1.4
Printing & Publishing	18.8	18.9	19.1	- 0.5	- 1.6
Newspapers	3.9	3.9	4.2	0.0	- 7.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	27.6	27.7	27.8	- 0.4	- 0.7
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.9	10.0	10.0	- 1.0	- 1.0
Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics Products	27.1	27.2	27.8	- 0.4	- 2.5
Other Nondurable Goods[3]	3.0	3.1	3.5	- 3.2	- 14.3

[1]Data for the current month are preliminary.
[2]Revised.
[3]This category includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

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